GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA

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Price Fixation of Drugs
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

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(a) whether it is a fact that the Government has asked the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority to refix the ceiling prices of important drugs like phenytoin, propranolol and cefotaxime etc.; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS; MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA)

(a) & (b): National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) had fixed the Ceiling Price of Phenytoin 100mg Tablet, Propanolol 40 mg Tablet and Cefotaxime 1gram Powder for Injection.

Aggrieved by the orders of NPPA, M/S Abbott Healthcare Pvt. Ltd.(in case of Phenytoin and Propanolol) and M/S Alkem Laboratories Ltd (in case of Cefotaxime) filed review petitions before the Department of Pharmaceuticals under para 31 of the DPCO 2013. After hearing both the parties, the Department of Pharmaceuticals directed the National Pharmaceuticals Pricing Authority (NPPA) to re-fix the prices considering the data/information furnished by the companies, on merit.

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